

REMARKS

Claims 1-23 and 120-126 are pending in this application.

Claims 1, 4-7, 10-23 and 121-124 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e).

Claims 2-3, 8-9, 116, 120 and 125-127 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a).

In this paper, we amend claims 1 and 126 and we cancel claim 127 and the withdrawn claims.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) of Claims 120-127

The Examiner rejects **claims 120-127** under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as unpatentable over Huang et al. (U.S. 6,151,582) in view of Landvater. These claims were added in our last response.

Claim 126

Claim 126, as amended, includes limitations from claim 127 that the Examiners agreed place the claim in condition for allowance.

Claim 126 and the claims that depend from it (120-125) should be allowed by agreement and for the reasons presented in prior responses to office actions, which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Rejection Under 35 U.S.C. §§ 102(e) and 103(a) of Claims 1-23

The Examiner rejects **claims 1, 4-7 and 10-23** under 35 U.S.C. § 102(e) as anticipated by Landvater (U.S. 6,609,101). The remaining claims that depend from claim 1 are rejected under § 103(a).

We have amended claim 1 to incorporate limitations of claim 127 that the Examiners agreed would make the claim allowable. We have deleted claim elements that confused the claim and did not appear to contribute to distinguishing over the prior art.

Claim 1 and the claims that depend from it (2-23) should be allowed by agreement and for the reasons presented in prior responses to office actions, which are hereby incorporated by reference.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully submit that the pending claims are now in condition for allowance and thereby solicit acceptance of the claims as now stated.

Applicants would welcome an interview, if the Examiner is so inclined. The undersigned can ordinarily be reached at his office at (650) 712-0340 from 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m. PST, Monday through Friday, and can be reached at his cell phone at (415) 902-6112 most other times.

Fee Authorization. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge underpayment of any additional fees or credit any overpayment associated with this communication to Deposit Account No. 50-0869 (BLFR 1005-1).

Respectfully submitted,

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